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May 10, 2016

Request for Waiver –CC Docket No. 02-6 Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

## <u>Request for Waiver</u> <u>SLD Administrator's Decision on Erate Yr 13 (2010/11) Commitment Decision Letter</u>

## Dear Sir or Madam:

We are appealing the SLD's Denial in Full of the following and request an FCC Waiver:

• Billed Entity Number: **98649** 

• Name of BEN: GREYHILLS ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

Contact person name: Dickson Hoshnic
 Contact information: P. O. Box 160

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Tuba City, AZ 86045 - 0160 dickson.hoshnic@bie.edu

• Form 471 Application Number: **729399** 

• Funding Request Numbers (FRNs): 2025141

• Service provider name: Interactive Digital Solutions, LLC

• Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN): 143027748

SLD Action requesting Waiver: Administrator's Commitment Decision letter – Denied in Full



## Administrator's Decision on Implementation Extension Request

March 31st, 2016

Dickson Hoshnic Greyhills Academy High School PO Box 160, 100 Warrior Drive Tuba City, AZ 86045

FCC Form 471 Application

729399

Number:

Funding Request Number(s):

2025141

Your Correspondence Dated:

12/17/2015

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division ("SLD") of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has made its decision in regard to your implementation extension request. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60-day time period for appealing this decision. If your request included more than one FRN, please note that for each FRN you may receive a separate determination letter.

Decision on Request:

Denied in full

Explanation: Request received after the FCC deadline for Implementation Deadline Extension requests which was 9/30/2015.

1 - Additional information was never requested of us. The only area on the Form 500 where we can enter any information is limited. On 12/3/2015 1:41 PM EST case 31386 was created when we submitted the From 500 for processing. We were never asked to explain further. Each time we called to follow-up, SLD Case #51505 created on 2/15/2016 6:44 PM EST; Case 40756, created on 1/13/2016 10:09 AM EST we were told the Form 500 was in process and that the case would be elevated.

This is copied from the Form 500 we submitted: No space is provided for entering information as to the reason we were requesting an extension. We did enter "Due to delays in manufacturer shipping product – request extension to 2/28/2016 please". We assumed, as in all other instances, the SLD would contact us for further explanation.

FCC Form 471	FRN(s)	Original Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	New Date (mm/dd/yyyy):
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ro The service provider was unable to complete delivery and installation for reasons beyond the service provider's control. Due to delays in manufacturer shipping product - request extension to 2/28/2016 please.

The service provider has been unwilling to complete delivery and installation after USAC withheld payment for those services on a properly-submitted invoice for more than 60 days after submission of the invoice.

2 – This FRN 2025141 provided Internet based Video Conferencing. This FRN was dependent on completion of the cabling FRN 2025156 for all construction of all fiber and copper, and FRN 2025136 for all network equipment and the Firewall/Router.

FRN 2025136 (networking) required (3) three service substitutions and there were significant delays in approval by USAC for each. Ultimately the network equipment required by this FRN was installed in mid September 2015. Then, due to issues with the Internet ISP providing the necessary IP addresses, the router and firewall configurations being flawed and the delays in the manufacturer shipping equipment, the service provider (IDS) could not install product until 55 days after the deadline. All conditions outside the service providers control.

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729399	2025141	GREY	98649	143027748	Interactive Digital S	FUNDED	7/1/2010	2010	1/28/2016	INTERNAL CONNEC	\$29,758.90	\$27,656.83	\$24,891.15	SPI
729399	2025156	GREY	98649	143011994	North American Co	FUNDED	7/1/2010	2010	8/12/2015	INTERNAL CONNEC	\$272,832.12	\$272,832.12	\$245,548.91	SPI

## We request a Waiver for installation/implementation and the subsequent invoicing.

We believe denying the entire funding request under these circumstances (clerical or non-substantive procedural errors) would unfairly penalize the school. There is no evidence of waste, fraud or abuse, or misuse of funds, or a failure to adhere to core program requirements.

"In addition, the Wireline Competition Bureau previously permitted applicants to receive funding even when they missed the services implementation deadline. In the Great Rivers Order and the Tekoa Academy Order, the Commission waived its services implementation deadline rule where the applicants made significant efforts to comply and the service provider installed the services as directed"

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dickson Hoshnic

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Service Implementation Deadline Extension Request Filed Late<sup>13</sup>

Crownpoint Community School, Application No. 692249, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jul. 8, 2014)

Harlandale Independent School District, Application No. 679511, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Oct. 17, 2014)

Longview Rapid Communications d/b/a Cynergy Technology (Goodrich Independent School District), Application No. 803957, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Oct. 28, 2014)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See, e.g., Request for Review/Waiver of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Accelerated Charter et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 13652-53, para. 2 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2014) (allowing extensions of the deadline for service implementation when applicants demonstrated they were unable to complete implementation on time for reasons beyond the service providers' control and made significant efforts to secure the necessary extensions, despite the request being filed late).

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